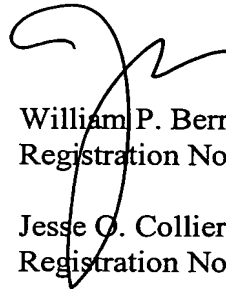


**REMARKS**

Claims 1 - 8 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, the abstract is added and claims 1 - 8 are amended to eliminate multiple dependencies and correct formalities. Prompt and favorable consideration on the merits is respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,



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